(c) It is not true that the Gandhian Institutions are being singled out for discrimination by Government.

Consultation with religious head for history text books

1391. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Human Resource Development has taken a decision to ask religious heads to vet the history text books and remove what they term as the objectionable portions; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the process is on the way?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a)No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Uniform Education

†1392. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to abolish the existing dual education system and provide uniform education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are also considering to provide technical and computer science, engineering and medical science education to lower class, middle class and poor children of rural areas, as being provided to urban children and children of rich families; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b). The National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 provides for a National System of Education which implies that, up to a given level, all students, irrespective of caste, creed, location or sex, have access to education of a comparable quality. It includes a common educational structure, a national curriculum framework and minimum levels of learning for each stage of education.

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.